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For:	BALANCED, MULTI-STUD HOLD-DOWN)
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Examiner:	Steve M. Varner)

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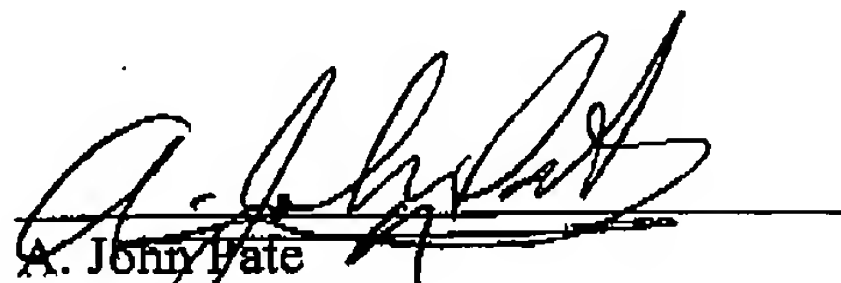
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AMENDMENT "A"

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the communication from the examiner mailed June 8, 2004, please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

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